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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Yongwei CAO *et al.* Group Art Unit: 1656
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For: *Emericella nidulans* Genome
Sequence and Uses Thereof

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Petition For Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

It is hereby requested that the period for submitting an Appeal Brief be extended 2 months from August 28, 2002 to October 28, 2002 by the filing of this Petition and fee payment.

The appropriate fee (37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)) is believed to be \$400.00 for a two-month extension of time for a large entity. Applicants request that this fee be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2387 referencing docket number 16517.081. Further, if additional extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those provided for herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 50-2387 referencing docket number 16517.081.

Respectfully submitted,

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